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CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Meade A. Stirland
General Manager
New Mexico Operations
Anaconda Minerals Company
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Dear Mr. Stirland:

During 1985, there were several incidences of vandalism and human/animal trespass at the Jackpile-Paguate Mine (Pueblo of Laguna Leases #1, 4 & 8). Concerns about the physical and radiological hazards at the minesite were also brought out during the public hearings on the Draft Jackpile-Paguate Environmental Impact Statement. Bureau of Land Management (BLM) personnel recently inspected the minesite and have photographic evidence of recent human and animal trespasses within the minesite area. For example, we observed evidence of animals drinking the water ponded behind Protore Pile SP-17BC. We have reviewed the situation and have determined that the existing security at the minesite is not adequate and must be modified. Therefore, based on the regulations in 43 CFR 3575.1, 25 CFR 216.7(f) and the lease terms, Anaconda Minerals Company (AMC) is ordered to implement the following security measures.

1. AMC is responsible for 24-hour security at the minesite. Within 30 days AMC will, at a minimum, provide for daylight-hours security personnel at the minesite, seven days a week, with periodic nighttime patrols.
2. Within 90 days, the minesite must be fenced as indicated by the red-dashed line on Map 1. This sheep-proof fencing shall be as described in Figures 4 or 5 of Enclosure 1. The new fencing will be placed no closer than 200 feet from the toe of any existing dump so as not to impair any future reclamation option.
3. Within 90 days, the entire minesite boundary must be posted with warning signs meeting the following specifications:
 - a. Signs shall conform to OSHA 1910.145(c)(1).

- b. Signs shall read "DANGER - HAZARDOUS AREA" and, directly below, "KEEP OUT". The standard radiation symbol (10 CFR 20.203) shall also be placed with each sign group.
 - c. Signs shall be rust- and fade-proof.
 - d. Signs shall be a minimum of 10" x 14".
 - e. The sign groups (Item 3b) shall be posted on the fencing every 150 feet.
4. We are returning the three (3) minesite keys AMC loaned BLM on February 13, 1984. Two (2) keys are for the P-10 gate and one (1) key is for the New Shop gate. To the best of our knowledge, no Federal agency nor the Pueblo of Laguna have any other keys to the minesite. All future mine access will be coordinated through AMC.
5. AMC will notify the Bureau of Land Management and Bureau of Indian Affairs in writing as each measure is implemented.

We appreciate your cooperation in increasing security at the Jackpile-Paguate Mine and we believe this enhanced security provides benefits for all parties. However, you are advised that you have the right to appeal this order according to the terms in 43 CFR 3578.5 and 25 CFR 216.11. If you have any questions, please contact us.

Sincerely,

Herrick E. Hanks
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3 Enclosures
Map 1, Enclosure 1 (Figures 4&5), Keys (3)